

REMARKS

Claims 1-19, 21-26 and 28-44 remain pending in the application. Claims 6, 17 and 33 have been amended in order to overcome the respective claim objections (claims 6 and 17) and rejection under § 112 (claim 33) set forth in the Office Action. The amendments do not introduce new matter.

Since the amendments presented herein are limited to the purpose of placing the claims in condition for allowance (as recognized by the Examiner in the Office Action), entry of this Amendment After Final is respectfully requested.

I. Double Patenting Rejections

A Terminal Disclaimer is submitted herewith to overcome the provisional obviousness-type double patenting rejection. Thus, all claims are now believed allowable.

II. Withdrawn Rejection / References

Applicant kindly acknowledges the Examiner's withdrawal of the prior art rejections.

CONCLUSION

Entry of this Amendment and allowance of the application are respectfully requested. If there are any remaining issues that can be resolved by telephone, Applicants invite the Examiner to contact the undersigned at the number indicated below.

Respectfully submitted,

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